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FREEDOM OF THE PRESS

MANY of us do not appreciate the fact that freedom of the press is a perennial battle, ONE WE ARE ALWAYS WAGING.

Since the discovery of movable types we have been fighting for it. And until the press has been superseded as a means for disseminating information, we shall still be fighting for it.

We thought the cause won for freedom of the press two hundred years ago when Andrew Hamilton gained his momentous legal decision in favor of John Peter Zenger. It was won. But it had to be won again, on another battlefield, thirty years later, when newspapers were taxed two shillings for every advertisement they ran, without regard to size or cost of the advertising.

Freedom of the press may be destroyed by taxation as effectively as by government censorship. Huey Long put out a feeler in that direction a couple of years ago in Louisiana when he placed a tax on advertising. (Note—The Louisiana law has been declared unconstitutional by unanimous decision of the United States supreme court. The court ruled that the law violated the constitutional guaranty of freedom of the press.)

Only recently I noticed in the news dispatches that the supreme court of Wisconsin had upheld the constitutionality of an industrial code for that state, based on the late lamented NRA code. A code regulating industry in Wisconsin may become the forerunner of codes in other states, any one of which may involve control of the press once more.

Representative Pierce of Oregon is sponsoring a bill in Congress to bar from the mails such straw balloting as is being conducted by the Literary Digest.

Freedom of the press can be affected in many other ways than by direct censorship.

I recall these facts to your attention, believing that in case of emergency the newspapers may have need to gather their strength—all of which will be necessary. All our strength will be required for two primary reasons: The press in the country as a whole, as in this state, is not united, and it is not popular with the public. A huge proportion of the public would not be averse to seeing some sort of regulation placed on the American press. If the First amendment to the constitution were before the public for consideration today, it probably would not pass in its present form.

The prevailing unpopularity of the press with the masses is in part a result of lack of unity. That the press is unpopular in the sense of being disliked or distrusted is no doubt manifest to all of you.

THE PRESS, OF COURSE, HAS RARELY, IF EVER, ENJOYED PHENOMENAL POPULARITY. FROM THE DAYS OF THE FIRST CORANTOS TO THE PRESENT WE HAVE BEEN CONSTANTLY HARASSED BY LACK OF PUBLIC CONFIDENCE.

We have deserved much of our unpopularity, too. We deserve much of it today. I know of no commercial or manufacturing company which, when it does a little larger business than its competitor, rushes to the highways or the house tops, proclaiming to the world that it has sold more bricks or beds or blah than has its nearest competitor on Western avenue whose address is in the 800 block. I know of no profession except the press which, when one of its colleagues sins, stands in the market place and thanks God it is not as other men are.

The visit of the Lindberghs to Europe is a case in point. The colonel left America in a manner that would command the utmost publicity; and the impression was conveyed in the initial news stories both that his stay was to be permanent and that the newspapers were largely responsible for his exile. We ourselves gave ourselves a mighty whack because of the colonel's self-imposed exile.

I know, that reporters regarded Colonel Lindbergh as severely uncompromising, in what he considers his right of privacy. But I am critical of an American press that made such a needless and unfair case against itself—a press that in such instances usually damns so sincerely and does nothing. We make ourselves our own worst enemies.

The original story about Colonel Lind-

bergh's departure was not credible from the first. I could not find myself believing that over zealous news hawks and photographers were driving him from this country on a freighter, secretly, at midnight, and on Christmas eve. The whole yarn smelled of holier-than-thou newspaper practice, where one paper or one group gets and avails itself of an opportunity to throw stink bombs at a competitor—usually to its own eventual discredit.

Meanwhile, however, the impression has been given the masses, not only that the press is largely responsible for the exile of one of its heroes, but that the press admits this responsibility. The other side has been largely played down. And any public thus informed can understand why the Lindberghs are seeking a haven in Italy where liberty of the press does not exist.

No wonder we find our public critical. If the church proclaimed its weaknesses or the medical profession aired its differences publicly as we do, their influence would be lessened immeasurably. And we need feel no surprise that we lack popularity and public confidence, or that an autocratically minded leader now and then, recognizing our unpopularity, dares a sally at press control.

SOME DAY SOMEBODY MAY BE SUCCESSFUL, DESPITE OUR FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION. REGIMENTATION IS IN THE AIR, COMING TO US FROM THE PRESENTLY SUCCESSFUL, DICTATOR GOVERNED COUNTRIES OF EUROPE AND ASIA. AND WHEN AN EFFORT IS MADE HERE, WE NEWSPAPERMEN SHALL NOT BE PREPARED TO OFFER EFFECTIVE RESISTANCE BECAUSE OF LACK OF UNITY WITHIN OUR OWN FRATERNITY.

OUR GREAT NEED TODAY IS UNITY FIRST, AND THEN A CONCERTED DRIVE AT RE-EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC TO AN UNDERSTANDING THAT FREEDOM OF THE PRESS IS NOT A FIGHT FOR THE PRESS, BUT FOR DEMOCRACY. LIBERTY OF THE PRESS IS NOT A PREREQUISITE OF THE PRESS, BUT A NECESSITY FOR THE PEOPLE. THEY MUST CONTINUE TO BE INFORMED IF THEY ARE GOING TO RULE.—By M. Lyle Spencer, Dean School Journalism, Syracuse University.

CONTEMPORARY COMMENT

New Sensations in Store for Reckless Drivers.

D'ja ever roar along the highway or open road at 70 or 80 miles an hour? D'ja ever have the wind blow through your hair and cool your brow, sweating from the excitement and thrill. D'ja ever take a dip that fast?

D'ja ever fly up one side of a hill and down the other at this speed? D'ja ever take a curved road on two wheels less than was originally intended? D'ja ever swerve back and forth in the ear like a dragon fly on the wing? ... YES? ...

D'ja ever meet another car at a crossing and kill a few people? D'ja ever lose control and find yourself s'edwise in a ditch or trying to climb a wall—or d'ja ever find yourself? D'ja ever bounce a person from the rumble seat on a dip and have to pick him up? D'ja ever hear bones crack or see blood fly when you hit a person on the other side of that hill?

D'ja ever turn over and over down a ravine, with the "boys," and never know when you reached the bottom that you, torn and bleeding, would have to drag their limp, sticky corpses from the debris sans eyes, sans teeth, sans feel, sans everything? D'ja ever hit an animal—say a dog or a cat—and feel a sticky, uncleanly feeling come to your abdomen? Did'ja?

If not, you really have your first genuine thrill to come, unless, of course, you might accidentally slow down to 35 or 30 and take the corners dips and hills more easily on your nerves, the population, and the pocketbook.—Junior Collegian.

STUDENT PULSE

Brief, concise contributions pertinent to matters of student life and the university are welcomed by this department, under the usual restrictions of sound newspaper practice, which excludes all libelous matter and personal attacks. Letters must be signed, but names will be withheld from publication if so desired.

TO THE EDITOR:

Dr. Nebraskan has been taking a count of our pulses for some time.

If you have been on some of the other campi such as, Illinois, Northwestern, Minnesota or Wisconsin and then compare them with our campus, ours looks exceedingly barren. This question of improving the looks of our campus so far as trees, flowers, shrubs and whatnots (benches to you) are concerned is a puzzle, but the student body as a whole can solve it.

Although our climate does not permit the most abundance of growth in this part of the country, our campus could be made much more romantic. We have sidewalks, but you and I are more interested in shortcuts. Do you realize that when we shortcut to be on time for a class we probably miss a smile or a cheerful "Good morning?" In talking over the problem of beautification of our campus with Mr. Dunbar, read his reply in the following lines of type!

"It should not be necessary for the fenceings and rails on the grounds, paths are for cow pastures and unless I am mistaken this is not a cow pasture. Our workmen are on the grounds everyday picking up after careless students (forget-me-nots). If you walk along after these men you will find branches and dry grass in the middle of the cow paths, these are supposed to be discouraging signs for the wondering herds, but they do as much good as two needles in two haystacks. If the students will learn to walk on the walks we would take the rails down and replace them with flowers. "We also have the suggestion to sprinkle the quads or malls with trees."—H. R.

TRUST FUND FOR ATHLETE GROWS

Injured Football Star in Critical Condition.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (ACP). Almost completely incapacitated as a result of severe brain injuries suffered in the Thanksgiving day game with the University of Kentucky team, Herbie Tade, star University of Tennessee center, is in the care of a famous New York brain specialist today, while students and football fans of both states push to drive to establish a fund for his care.

One thousand dollars has already been raised to defray present expenses, and if in the judgment of the New York specialist Tade's case is hopeless, additional money will be sought with a view toward establishing a permanent trust fund for the injured gridiron hero.

Tade was hurt in the closing minutes of the Kentucky-Tennessee game last fall. Throughout the last half, with Tennessee far behind, he had been the main pillar of defense and one of the explanations of his almost fatal injury is believed to lie in the fact he had so completely played himself out.

He was carried from the field, and although his hurt was immediately recognized as serious, it was for a long time believed he would recover. He never regained complete possession of his faculties, however, and successive operations did not improve his condition. Suffering from amnesia and lack of muscular and nervous co-ordination, he is today nearly helpless.

FACULTY WOMEN'S CLUB ANNOUNCES THREE CASH GIFTS

(Continued from Page 1.) on the agricultural campus. These applications must be filled out completely and mailed to Mrs. R. D. Moritz, member of the Faculty Women's club, 3816 Orchard street, on or before Wednesday, March 18.

Three letters of recommendation must accompany the application, according to the specifications set up by the club, and it is required that two of the recommendations be from faculty members of the university. If anyone wishing to try for the awards is unable to present her application before the time stated, she is asked to get in touch with Mrs. Moritz.

Personal interviews must be made by each applicant before the scholarship committee following the sending of her application. The time which has been set for these interviews is Wednesday and Thursday, March 25 and 26, from 1 until 4 o'clock in Ellen Smith hall. Students must present their credit books at the time of the interview and the committee suggests that a snapshot or small photograph would greatly facilitate the work in choosing the winners of the scholarships.

According to the present plans of the Faculty Women's club, recipients of the awards will be announced at the annual Honors Convocation to be held this year on Thursday, April 16.

MISS HITCHCOCK WINS PROM GIRL HONOR FOR 1936

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chosen by those attending the prom over three other candidates, Bonnie Bishop, Alpha Phi; Noia Alter, Pi Beta Phi; and Lorene Adelsheim, Delta Delta. In an unusual manner of presentation, James Marvin, senior class president, and George Pipal, junior class president, stepped upon the stage and knocked at the doors of miniature houses representing the candidates' sororities. When they reached the Alpha Omicron Pi house, the door opened and Miss Hitchcock stepped out. A large arm bouquet of carnations was given her as she was escorted from the stage to the dance floor by both class presidents. At that moment Joe Venuti and his orchestra swung into their theme song, and the first dance was taken by Marvin.

The success of the prom can be attributed to the work of Maryluy Peterson and William Marsh, co-chairmen of the affair; Jean Walt and George Pipal, in charge of orchestra arrangements; Sidney Baker and Dorothy Bentz, publicity; Roy Kennedy and Eleanor Clizbe, tickets; Arnold Levin and June Waggener, presentation, and Clyde White and Jeanne Palmer, chaperones. The plans for presentation of the Prom Girl were drawn by Bob Funk.

WILBUR CHENOWETH GIVES LENT CONCERT

Music Professor Present Second Program in Series.

Wilbur Chenoweth, professor of organ and piano, will present the second concert in his series of Lenten recitals Sunday, March 8, at 4 o'clock, at the First Plymouth Congregational church. The public is invited.

The program will include: Sonata Romantica, Yon, introduction and allegro, adagio; Lamb o' God, Bizet; two choral preludes, A Sacred Head Once Wounded, Hassler-Reger, and Jesus Joy of Man's Desiring, Bach; Improvisation of a Russian Hymn; Ave Maria, Bach-Gounod; Toccato for Fifth Symphony, Widor.

Harlan County Teachers Hear Talk by Dr. Morton

Dr. W. H. Morton, chairman of the department of secondary education, spoke at the Harlan, Ia., county teachers institute Friday and before the Harlan Community club Thursday evening.

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Prof. Darlington Publishes Book on Office Management

(Continued from Page 1.) certain contacts with factors external to the business.

Office, Nervous System.

"The office then, comes into play as the nervous system of our figure," says Professor Darlington. "It receives messages, reports, and direction from the various units and transmits them to others. Its sensory endings come in contact with the world external to its organism and transmit its findings to the proper unit. And again the business office has another point in common with the human body. Thru the office files, books and records it retains impressions of past experiences from which present or future action may be governed."

The author also takes into account the environmental factors that detract or add to the efficiency of office management.

"A rectangular space is more easily utilized than an irregular one," he writes. "The more nearly square the room the shorter the path the work must travel. The amount of room needed will be from seventy to eighty square feet per employee and if executives are included, about 100 square feet should be allowed. From the standpoint of noise, light, dust and ventilation, upper floors are more desirable with outer rooms better than those facing inner courts."

To Rearrange Office.

In case you decided to rearrange your office, let Professor Darlington help with these suggestions:

1. Arrange for the work to travel in continuous forward lines.
2. Put departments which must meet the public where they are accessible.
3. Keep from public view departments which might offend.
4. Assign the well lighted portions to the units that need most light.
5. Segregate noisy departments.
6. Put departments which deal with each other near each other.
7. Locate executives near units with which they have most contact.

For those who have ambition to become an office executive they should have sufficient humility to receive criticism gracefully and be able to let intelligence and not feelings govern their actions. Professor Darlington devotes the following paragraph to outlining an office manager's essentials:

Impartial Attitude.

"An impartial attitude should enter into all his relations with fellow workers. He must criticize where criticism is due, but without arousing antagonism. Likewise, he should praise when it is merited without resorting to flattery and he must be reasonably charitable in judging workers without becoming an easy mark. While he should not be guided by his emotions the office manager should have sufficient consideration for others to treat those working under him not as machines but as fellow human beings."

The writer also points out that only the correct type of incentives should be used in getting workers to exert themselves. The negative group such as reprimands, fines, demotions and discharges are generally harmful and should be avoided. These all rest on fear and fear tends to reduce efficiency and destroy the co-operative spirit. For petty infringement of rules, fines are judged better than rebukes, while demotions are rarely justified. Rewards are the best incentives for good work, most of office managers agree. Under such a heading would come increasing wage scales, vacations, the practice of recognizing long service and promotions, which come next to wages in material importance to the employee.

Tired Stenographers. To the tired stenographer who becomes a bundle of nerves during her shorthand translations, Professor Darlington's following assertions will be a boon. He says: "Dictation directly to the stenographer should be reduced to a minimum as the manager must usually prepare to dictate several letters instead of dictating to a machine as soon as each letter is prepared. This tends to reduce the quality of the letters and keeps both girl and man busy at the same time."

National recognition has already come to the university author as the result of his latest text. Written from the viewpoint of one who has had actual experience in directing an office and including the latest and most efficient methods of managing this division of American business, Professor Darlington's contribution to the literary world incorporates new methods and principles which have a practical value to both the experienced as well as the beginner. At the end of each chapter are a list of questions and problems based upon sound business principles described in the preceding paragraphs.

Pre-Dental Course of Two Years Made Effective 1937

Members of the dental college faculty agreed at a recent meeting to adopt as a requirement the present optional two year pre-dental course. According to Dean George Grubb, beginning September, 1937, students will be required to take two years of pre-dental work. One phase of Harvard's 300th anniversary celebration will be the payment of \$300,000 to the Cambridge city treasury, if the college honors a resolution passed by the city council.

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CAMPUS CAPS and GOWNS by the Stylists

There may be something in the little ditty about spring, and a young man's fancy, and thoughts of love—but it looks as though the Nebraska campus is a bit different these days, with all the established twosomes breaking up in fine style. Liz Kelley, of the Kappa house is back to Johnny Jenkins and Bill Marsh, leaving the old standby of the last few months, Mike Charter, standing. Eleanor Worthman, Alpha Xi Delta, isn't that way any more about Los Paulkonin, Delta Upsilon, and Janey Sawyer is stepping places with Myron Bickel. While Jane Temple gives all the boys a break, Clayton Schwenk rotates between the Chi Phi and Chi Omega houses, and Mary Flala. It's very disconcerting, and not a little sad, but when we see those happy couples, Howard Dobson and Sarah Meyer and Helen Jane Johnson and John Groth, we feel a bit better—just a bit.

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Are you married, or engaged, or just a girl? If you're a girl, you'll like the new fashions from S. A. E. of Iowa when he called to inquire why she hadn't been writing. "I'm just engaged," responded that young lady with a bit of a lump in her throat, whereupon, he hung up. No need for hard feelings, say we. After all it's keeping her in the brotherhood.

Costumes for the Story Book hall at FERRIS COSTUME SHOP, 1309 "O" street, L 4727.



And even the boys are doing it these days. Not satisfied to have his best gal knitting a shell pink sweater, our Douglas Sarsen says he's going to learn so that he can add a bit of a row here and there. At any rate, it takes nerve to sit under the Dean's window and admire the creation on Saturday afternoon.

You'll see them at MAGEE'S campus corner; all college gals who wear smart clothes and look well in them. Bonnie Bishop hunts for a formal, Della Ward and Ruth Rutledge buy afternoon dresses, and Jean Leftwich, a spring party gown. Make MAGEE'S your shopping center for smart clothes.

"I want a clean shaven man," chortled Olive Oyl but Frances Lincoln seems to have different ideas on the subject. She's still verra fond of Jack Fischer, and that young gentleman has a nice beard in the coming.

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When they got back from a little spin around the block in a friend's car, Bonnie Bishop, and an Alpha Phi whose name escapes us, found a police escort and practically all the whole force waiting them. A bit of misunderstanding, it seems, and the friend thought his car had been stolen.

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CHURCH PLANS NEW STUDENT PROGRAMS

International Problems Subject of Spring Discussions.

Interesting programs on the subjects "International Relationships" and "World Peace" have been planned for the students by the Presbyterian churches. Following the discussions led by Dr. Frederick J. Libby, L. J. Marti will address the First Presbyterian Fellowship at 6:30 Sunday on "How Shall the United States Maintain Neutrality?"

The Westminister Presbyterian students will begin a series of discussions about the general theme, "Tensions Between Church and State" at 6:30 Sunday at their church. Dr. M. S. Ginsburg will be the speaker. His subject will be "Religious Situation in Russia."

300 ATTEND JUNIOR AK-SAR-BEN STOCK JUDGING CONTEST

(Continued from Page 1.) eral steers were placed before the contestants and each contestant was to approximate its worth. These estimates were compared with those of an official judging committee. Ralph Fortna, Nebraska auctioneer, most closely approximated the estimate of the appraisal committee.

Judge of the meet was K. C. Fouts, Seward. Other officials in

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